

DETERMINING FIRST STAGE SAMPLE SIZE

Number of counties in State	Number of counties in sample
10	7
20	11
30	13
40	15
50	16
60	17
70	18
80	19
90	19
100–120	20
130–170	21
More than 180	22

DETERMINING SECOND STAGE SAMPLE SIZE

Average number of road segments in each sampled county	Number of road segments sampled in each sample county
50	19
60	20
70	21
80	21
90	22
100	23
200	26
300	27
400	27
500–900	28
More than 1000	29

E. *Example:* To achieve the required level of precision, a State with 100 counties would sample 20 counties at the first stage. At the second stage, assuming an average of 100 road segments in each sampled county, a sample of 23 road segments per county would be selected. The total sample size would be 20×460 observational sites.

II. DATA COLLECTION

A. Exact observation sites, such as the specific intersection on a road segment, should be determined prior to conducting the observations.

B. Direction of traffic to be observed should be determined prior to conducting the observations.

C. If traffic volume is too heavy to accurately record information, predetermined protocol should exist for selecting which travel lanes to observe.

D. Observations should be conducted for a predetermined time period, usually one hour. Time periods should be the same at each site.

E. To minimize travel time and distance required to conduct the observations, clus-

tering of sampled sites can be done. Sample sites should be grouped into geographic clusters, with each cluster containing major and local roads. Assignment of sites and times within clusters should be random.

F. Two counts should be recorded for all eligible vehicles:

1. Number of front seat outboard occupants.

2. Number of these occupants wearing shoulder belts.

III. ESTIMATION

A. Observations at each site should be weighted by the site's final probability of selection.

B. An estimate of one standard error should be calculated for the estimate of belt use. Using this estimate, 95 percent confidence intervals for the estimate of safety belt use should be calculated.

PART 1345—INCENTIVE GRANT CRITERIA FOR OCCUPANT PROTECTION PROGRAMS

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§ 1345.1 Scope.

This part establishes criteria, in accordance with section 2003 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, for awarding incentive grants to States that adopt and implement effective programs to reduce highway deaths and injuries resulting from individuals riding unrestrained or improperly restrained in motor vehicles.

§ 1345.2 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to implement the provisions of section 2003 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, 23 U.S.C. 405, and to encourage States to adopt effective occupant protection programs.

§ 1345.3 Definitions.

(a) *Child restraint system* means child safety seat.